

## TAXABLE VALUES OF ELECTRIC ROADS SHOW VERY LARGE GAIN

Individual Property Owner Will Profit by Increased Amount of Taxes These Corporations Will Pay—Under Old Deal Some Roads Were Favored at Expense of Others—Great Service Performed For State.

Columbus, O., Sept. 21.—The taxable value of street, suburban and interurban railways have been increased \$85,000,000, and the individual property owner, especially the farmer and home owner, will profit by the increased amount of taxes these corporations will pay under the high and proper valuation.

In 1910, all Ohio street, suburban and interurban railroad property was appraised for \$30,382,937; in 1911 the total value was placed at \$115,482,287 or nearly four times as much.

The report of the State Tax Commission discloses that even the street railway companies did not system of railway companies did not get a square deal under the old system of appraising property for taxation, although all were favored, some to a greater extent than others, and paid less taxes in proportion to their property than others.

In 1910 the property of the Cincinnati Traction Company was appraised at \$2,850,000, while the Cleveland Railway Company was placed on the tax duplicate for \$7,844,800. These figures, had they represented the true value of the property, would indicate that the property of the Cleveland Railway Company was worth nearly four times that of the Cincinnati Traction Company was appraised at \$18,123,416, while that of the Cleveland Railway Company was placed on the tax duplicate for \$18,465,140.

The State Tax Commission, after a thorough investigation by experts, learned that the two properties were of about the same value. In Cleveland, the big public service corporations have not for many years dominated the municipal government. There is no George B. Cox there, and, as a result, Cleveland taxing officers placed the Cleveland Railway property on the duplicate at a reasonably high figure—reasonable considering the old way of appraising property.

But things were different down in Cincinnati. There the amount of taxes a corporation paid largely was regulated by the size of its campaign contribution. The manipulation of the taxing power has long been resorted to by political bosses to strengthen themselves, and it is evident from the 1910 and 1911 values of Cleveland and Cincinnati railway properties that the Cox machine members do not need any lessons in the art of using taxing power to further machine interests.

The following figures represent the appraisements of some of the big roads in 1910 and 1911:

	1910.	1911.	Increase.
City Railway Co., Dayton, O.	\$22,550	\$3,342,918	\$1,730,368
Cleveland, Painesville & Eastern Ry.	267,174	1,478,525	1,211,351
Cleveland, Southwestern & Columbus Ry.	975,026	3,432,536	2,457,510
Columbus, Delaware & Marion Ry.	321,465	1,255,627	934,162
Columbus Ry. & Light Co. (Columbus Ry. & Col. Trac. Co.)	2,671,540	7,921,979	5,250,438
East Liverpool Trac. & Light Co.	209,110	1,586,679	1,376,569
Lake Shore & Erie Ry.	872,504	2,890,867	2,018,363
Northern Ohio Trac. & Light Co.	1,496,782	9,617,704	8,120,919
Mahoning Valley Ry. Co.	464,955	2,063,682	1,598,727
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The Ohio State Journal (Republican) says: "The ruling out by Attorney General Hogan of the printing of 5,000 manuals, devoted expressly to legislative personalities and prizes will create a broad smile all over the state. To the taxpayers that job is not worth 30 cents. It is wholly a testimonial to self-importance, that the people would rather do without it than should some-times reach the consciousness of legislators that personal vanity is not properly a subject for the outlay of the hard-earned taxes of the people. That is what this manual is—a collection of biographical sketches and halflions. Isn't it silly?"

"If a legislature does good work and serves the people faithfully it will make a record far more honorable and permanent than a little costly manual of self-praise. The honorable record stands as a tribute; the manual is thrown aside as rubbish. Every true legislator will look for the honor of his career in the life of the people, made happier and nobler by his own. Whatever a man adds to his fame by way of tinsel and gaudy soon grows rusty and shabby."

"The attorney general turned down the bill for these manuals, not because the legislature had no right to make the contract, but because it had made no appropriation to meet it. The ruling was clearly right. We hope the attorney general will dig a little deeper and find in the roots of the statute somewhere his right to rule out a bill when sure of its utter folly and stupidity."

In seeing that an honest appraisal was made of all property, the state tax commission members have performed a wonderful service for the people of moderate means, especially farmers and home owners in Ohio. How valuable the service will not be fully realized until the next taxes are paid. Then it will be discovered that taxes do not eat so heavily into the salary check or bank account as formerly.

In 1911, real estate owners will pay more than seven millions of dollars less taxes than they did in 1910. This burden, taken from the shoulders of these tax payers, has been distributed among those corporations and personal property owners that, heretofore, have been too lightly taxed.

Increasing, so large as to be astounding, have been made to corporate property. Instead of being examples of harsh dealing, the increases clearly explain why the taxes of the men of moderate means was high, and the taxes of the rich man was low.

In 1911 the taxable values of steam and electric railroads alone were increased \$502,000,000. Here are the figures:

Electric R. R. 1911	115,000,000
Total 1911	\$700,000,000
Steam R. R. 1910	\$167,000,000
Electric R. R. 1910	30,000,000
Total 1910	\$196,000,000

Large as these increases are, no injustice has been done. This property, along with other classes, has been appraised at its true value in money, as the constitution requires, so that the ratio of taxes to property will not be any greater than it is for individual property.

President Taft is making an extensive campaigning tour of 12,000 miles to brush up his 1912 possibilities at all public expense, congress appropriating \$25,000 for his annual travels.

## NEW GAMBLING GAME IS FOUND

Discovered by Reporter in Chicago Stock Yards District—8000 in it in Week.

Alpine Climbers Can Now Have Sport Without Alps. Open Canadian Rockies.

Chicago, Sept. 21.—The investigation of gambling in Chicago and the connection of the police with it has disclosed a new variety of baseball fan—a young man who is not a rooter for any special club or league and is not interested in the results of the game. All he wants to know is how many runs will be made by the team he has drawn from a "blind pool." The game was found by a newspaper reporter in a room above a saloon in the stock yards district. In one week there were eight thousand participants in the pool, each putting in fifty cents. The ticket having the name of the team combination which makes the most runs in the week is the winner of the first prize; the second largest prize goes to the team making the smallest number. The purchaser of a ticket has

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no choice of a team that carries his money. That is decided by lot. There are twenty-two other prizes than the first two. Each ticket has six clubs, one for each week day, selected from the National and American leagues. With sixteen teams and six days the number of combinations is limitless. Rain, postponement and double-headers are part of the uncertainty. They are not taken into consideration in making the ticket. The promoters take 10 per cent of the pool for their services. The highest amount won was \$560. Most of the patrons are comparatively young men, and they flock to the room each afternoon to watch the score, to see how their chances are running, not to see which club wins the game.

Those residents of Chicago who have a taste for Alpine climbing, have found a way to gratify their taste without crossing the ocean, in the territory that is being opened up in the Canadian Rockies by the Grand Trunk Pacific railway. They have the added pleasure of exploring practically unknown mountain fastnesses that are within a week's travel of their own firesides. Some of those who sought relief from a summer in the city have returned from the Yellow Head Pass country enthusiastic over its beauties. The Grand Trunk is steadily pushing its rails from Edmonton westward through the foothills to the Yellow Head Pass, while the water end is being just as steadily pushed towards the pass. By next year the rails will have reached the newly discovered mecca for mountain lovers, and the trip to it will not be so long. It is likely that many more will take advantage of the opportunity to explore the new territory before it becomes too popular and while there remains the novelty of being "pioneers." One man is especially enthusiastic over the country around Lake Maligne, which is reached from Henry House about 225 miles west of Edmonton. Lake Maligne, he says, is a beautiful mountain lake about 18 miles long and the most picturesque of any I have seen in either Canada or the United States. Some of the mountains around it are nearly 12,000 feet high and are covered with great ice fields and glaciers that add greatly to their beauty.

Ambitious students at the Chicago music schools are finding out now whether their voices are of grand opera calibre. Director N. B. Emanuel working every day to select a chorus for the Chicago Grand Opera company which opens its second season November 22. Director Emanuel is trying to surpass his record of last year of getting the prettiest grand opera chorus. He is optimistic. He

says that the girls who are studying at the Chicago schools, represent nearly every state in the Union, are all pretty and many of them have excellent voices. He smiles mysteriously when asked if he has discovered a find in the person of a young girl from the country, whose appearance at her first try-out caused a little titter among the more fashionably dressed sisters. "Isn't she pretty," he replied evasively. "You know I have an eye on pretty girls." Emanuel is doing the preliminary work pending the arrival in November of Andreas Dippel. The first opera will be "Samson and Delilah," followed by several German works, including "Die Walkure," and "Tristan and Isolde." Among the new operas will be Victor Herbert's "Nabucco," the new opera of "Walt-Ferrari," "The Secret of Suzanne" and "The Jewels of Madonna," and the spectacular French opera, "Quo Vadis."

An evidence of the new attitude of employers to employees the reception by some of the largest employers in Illinois of the new campaign of State Factory Inspector Edgar T. Davies for cleanliness as a scientific safeguard against occupational diseases. The employees are co-operating willingly for both humanitarian reasons and from motives of self interest, the experience of several in the last few years showing that increased working efficiency is secured by clean and comfortable an attractive working conditions. "Government statistics," says Dr. Davies, "show that almost as many men are infected with occupational diseases as with tuberculosis. The death rate among workmen in Illinois has decreased 300 per cent since this safety movement has got under way, within the last ten years. It will decrease still more. The movement has only started." Mr. Davies has issued orders to a number of large employers requiring them to provide lavatories, with hot and cold water, clean towels, soap, nail brushes, shower baths, dressing rooms with individual lockers, and further that the sweeping and cleaning of factories shall be done outside the regular working hours. These Chicago corporations have expended, or are expending, nearly half a million dollars to provide more comfortable working conditions. They are the stockyard company \$250,000, the Fullman \$165,000 and the Illinois Central railroad \$70,000.

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em sung by the choir, Rev. A. E. Day, who acted as chairman of the evening, introduced Dr. Bare.

Rev. Bare began his address by saying: "I want first to speak a word in favor of Korea. Korea sustains a rather unique position in regard to the other nations near her. It fears a central relation to Japan, China and India. As Korea goes in religion, so go Japan, China and India, but India will go last." In speaking of the religious aspect of Korea today, the speaker said: "Twenty-six years ago, there was not a single Methodist Christian in hermit Korea. Tonight, there are more than 50,000. They have been gathering there at the rate of more than 2,000 a year. In regard to India, I have often heard the question put, what is the opinion to-day among Hindus and Mohammedans respecting Christianity? In India today there are 65,000,000 Mohammedans and thousands more belonging to other sects. India has a population of 315,000,000, and almost all these people belong to heathen religions. I declare to you that if these missionaries who go each year to save these benighted people did not have the love of Christ in their hearts and had not felt the call of God, they would not battle against these conditions so successfully as they have. I repeat that I am often asked the question 'What do the people of India think of Christianity?' Let me answer in the words of a former follower of Mohammed: 'It is not the British army that rules India, but the love of Jesus Christ.' Another Hindu says, 'The common notion is that the English have conquered India, but that is not true. It is rather the introduction of Christianity into India.' Christianity is the moral strength of India. What has it done for India? One of the good results of Christian influence in India is that many of the disabilities under which the Indian women formerly labored are gradually disappearing. The old custom of burning a wife on her husband's funeral pyre is done away with. Little girls of twelve and fourteen cannot be given in marriage. The time when the country was ruled by the customs of the people, Virtue and vice was defined only by the customs of the people and no distinction was made between good and bad. Polygamy was one of the most common practices and criminals were honored on their return from incarceration. But these evils are rapidly disappearing. Now, our work lies not in the getting of these people out of the gutter, but in doing away with the gutter. We must give our time, our effort and our money to the cause of Jesus Christ and go to the aid of these oppressed and benighted heathen."

At the conclusion of Dr. Bare's address, Mrs. B. L. Wallace sang, "A Perfect Day."

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In Seoul, the capital of Cho Sen (Korea), the Japanese population increased at the rate of 3,000 monthly. Education in Cho Sen (Korea) is receiving vigorous attention at the hands of the Japanese government.

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In Jamaica 75 per cent of landed properties are valued at less than \$200 each.

Will Aid Tariff Revision. St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 22.—Former Governor David R. Francis expressed

## SHERIFF ASKS INDEMNITY BOND

Doesn't Want to Proceed in C., D. & M. Case.

## SALE OF PROPERTY DELAYED

Sheriff Stark Desires to be On Safe Side.

Has Written C., D. & M. Attorneys That He Will Proceed no Further in the Matter of Appraising Property Until a Sufficient Bond Has Been Executed to Properly Protect Him in His Official Capacity.

Notwithstanding the fact that Judge Babst has decreed that an order of sale be issued in the C., D. & M. receivership tangle, and that Sheriff Stark appoint appraisors and sell the property, the matter is more than likely to be somewhat delayed.

Several days ago Attorney Guy M. Walker, of New York, claiming to represent the C., D. & M. and several stockholders who represent some \$400,000 worth of stock, ordered County Clerk Kilmeter to issue an order of sale, in accordance with Judge Babst's order of August 8. The order was issued and turned over to the sheriff and it is up to him to appoint appraisors, advertise the property for sale at the west front of the court house.

However, Mr. Stark isn't at all well satisfied that he is getting the proper protection in this matter and is not hesitating to name his appraisors. As a matter of fact, the sheriff is fearful that he is likely to get into some rather deep legal water. For that reason he has asked Prosecutor Justice and has been told to demand an indemnity bond of Guy M. Walker, before proceeding according to Judge Babst's order.

Along the line of these instructions, the sheriff has written Mr. Walker demanding that he furnish a bond sufficient to cover any loss that may be sustained by reason of the sheriff's liability for costs and damages in the case; also suits, contempt proceedings, etc. Sheriff Stark says he can demand a bond ranging from one to five million dollars and he isn't going to take any more chances than absolutely necessary.

At the same time the sheriff doesn't know just what stand Judge Babst might take in the matter if he should refuse to proceed, but thought it best to try and get a bond from Walker before going further in the matter. All of which, of course, means a delay of some time in carrying out Judge Babst's order.

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St. Paul, Minn., Sept. 22.—"If the public needs education relative to reciprocity with Canada, I am not going to be its schoolmaster."

This was James J. Hill's reply today to a request for an interview on the Canadian vote yesterday that showed the defeat of reciprocity. "I won't talk about the Canadian election," he said apparently much angered. "I don't like to see my name always in the papers."

Will Hurt President. Washington, Sept. 22.—Democratic sentiment on the Canadian reciprocity result is reflected by statements made today by Senator Bailey of Tennessee. "The United States is to be congratulated." This was the comment of Bailey who voted against reciprocity and led the small Democratic band of his senatorial opponents.

"President Taft knows today how it feels to be vetoed," said Sims. The president vetoed the Democratic bills at the last session and now Canada has vetoed the bill to pass which he called congress into extraordinary session.

"I think it must be admitted on all sides that the Canadian elections will hurt the president and his party and aid the Democratic party in the next campaign. Canadian reciprocity was held up before the country as a remedy for the high cost of living. It was the only remedy pronounced by the Republican party. It was only one of the remedies proposed by the Democratic. The high cost of living must be brought down by a reduction in the tariff and I now make the prediction that the voters of the country will turn to the Democratic party in 1912."

Director of the Mint George E. Roberts, a tariff expert, said today that the Canadian election would make it necessary for the Republican party to solve the problem of the high cost of living by some other remedy than reciprocity.

"The Canadian elections demonstrate that President Taft's reciprocity agreement was not one sided and in the interest of the Canadians," he added. "Had that been the fact Canada would have accepted the agreement with hesitation. I think that one thing that influenced the decision in Canada was the belief that the United States will ultimately be forced to adjust its tariffs that Canada will receive tariff concessions from this country and without reciprocity. This will enable them to get these concessions and entrance into our markets at reduced rates without in turn making the concessions proposed in the agreement."

Will Aid Tariff Revision. St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 22.—Former Governor David R. Francis expressed

surprise at Canada's rejection of reciprocity today. "I thought it would be carried. The Canadians had as much if not more to gain than we had. The sentiment in the East was in favor of reciprocity. The defeat was caused by the bogie of annexation. The failure of the treaty will have a far-reaching effect in bringing about a general downward revision of our tariff."

Canadian Pacific Responsible. Columbus, O., Sept. 22.—"I was very much disappointed about reciprocity was defeated by Canada," said Harvey C. Garber, Democratic national committeeman today. "I talked with Premier Laurier in London some time ago and he was very confident of success at that time. In my opinion the Canadian Pacific railroad, more than any other factor, is responsible for the defeat of reciprocity. This road feared that it would lose business if the treaty went through. It wielded an immense influence in Canadian politics."

Most of the Ohio Democratic politicians in close touch with Governor Harmon were surprised and disappointed over the death of reciprocity in Canada. It was the consensus of opinion that Canada's action would help President Taft.

"Canada made a big mistake but I expected it," said State Insurance Commissioner E. W. Moore. "It's bound to help President Taft for the American people can't help but see that if Canada thought the trade pact was harmful to them they must have thought it was a good thing for the United States."

"I confess it was a surprise to me," said State Treasurer Creamer. "The landslide surely showed that Canadian traders and manufacturers were looking after their interests."

Annexation Was Bogey. Cincinnati, O., Sept. 22.—Former Congressman Jacob Bromwell, Republican, discussing the Canadian election said today:

"The annexation bogey played a prominent part in the defeat of the reciprocity pact. I was not surprised at the opposition victory, but I was at the size of its majority. Canadians were afraid their relations with the old country would be largely alienated if trade relations were established with this country. I see no prospects for a re-introduction of reciprocity in our congress for several years to come."

Former Congressman Herman P. Goebel, Republican, said:

"The defeat of reciprocity did not surprise me in the least. I was not in favor of the pact."

"The defeat of reciprocity in Canada leaves us just where we were when the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill was passed," said Congressman Alfred G. Allen, of this city. "It is especially unfortunate, because the president's vetoes of the wool bill, the farmers free list and the cotton schedule now leave us without any tariff revision whatever. Had the president not vetoed these bills, we would have been in good shape, even though Canada did defeat reciprocity. The bills the president vetoed applied to the products of all the world, including Canada."

Underwood Disappointed. Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 22.—The defeat of reciprocity will be a severe blow to the trade of both Canada and the United States, said Chairman Underwood of the House Ways and Means committee. "I am greatly surprised and disappointed at the result," said the Democratic leader today. "Reciprocity would have resulted in great good to both countries and they have suffered material losses as the result of Canada's action."

Will Succeed Eventually. Boston, Mass., Sept. 22.—This one defeat for reciprocity does not mean its death," said Gov. Eugene N. Foss today. "It is really hard to believe that the Canadian's allowed themselves to be frightened by the annexation bugaboo and defeat a measure which would have meant so much to them as to the United States. The Canadian people certainly could not have clearly understood the issue. Reciprocity is bound to succeed."

By United Press Wire. Columbus, Sept. 22.—C. B. Randall, discharged penitentiary steward, was in conference today with Gov. Harmon. At its conclusion Randall said the governor had promised to give him a "square deal." Before going into the governor's office Randall said he would demand a public hearing on the charges which resulted in his dismissal, and asserted that he could prove he had bought provisions cheaper for the penitentiary than had been done at other state institutions.

Columbus, Sept. 22.—Following a conference today between Gov. Harmon and C. B. Randall, discharged penitentiary steward, at the conclusion of which Randall said the governor had promised him a "square deal," President Allen W. Thurman of the state board of administration, said the board would not give Randall a hearing even if the governor re-

Despite Willingness of Harmon the Board Will Not Agree.

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